

PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD OF CALIFORNIA Consumer Protection Services Program

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May 12, 2005

Citation No. 04-05-0124

Caroline Renee Finch, P.T.A. 6469 Longridge Court Foresthill CA 95631

License No. AT 4435	
	CITATION

Information obtained by the Physical Therapy Board of California (Board) has determined that actions taken by you have violated sections of the law regulating the practice of physical therapy.

A Citation is hereby issued to you in accordance with Section 125.9 of the Business and Professions Code for the violations described below.

The information obtained confirms that you practiced physical therapy without a valid license. Your physical therapy assistant license expired on February 29, 2004, however, you did not submit your renewal fee and change of address information until November 24, 2004. Based on your employment history and your admission that your license expired because you moved and did not notify the Board within 30 days, you are in violation of the law regulating the practice of physical therapy for the causes listed below.

FIRST CAUSE FOR CITATION

1. Section 2630 of the Business and Professions Code

It is unlawful for any person or persons to practice, or offer to practice, physical therapy in this state for compensation received or expected, or to hold himself or herself out as a physical therapist, unless at the time of so doing the person holds a valid, unexpired and unrevoked license issued under this chapter.

SECOND CAUSE FOR CITATION

2. Title 16, California Code of Regulations 1398.6 Filing Addresses

Each licensee shall report to the board each and every change of residence address within 30 days after each change, giving both the old and new address.

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ORDER

Further, **you are ordered to pay a fine of \$ 200.00** (\$100.00 for First Cause and \$100.00 Second Cause) to the Physical Therapy Board of California within 30 days after receipt of this Citation.

If you wish to contest all or any part of this Citation, complete the enclosed "Notice of Appeal -Request for Informal Conference" form and return it to this office within 10 days after receipt of this Citation. The date indicated on the order of abatement will be held in abeyance <u>only</u> for any violation(s) you wish to contest. The time to correct all uncontested violations will be adhered to as specified. In the alternative, you may, within 30 days after receipt of this Citation, request a <u>formal</u> administrative hearing before an administrative law judge under the Administrative Procedure Act.

FAILURE TO RETURN THE REQUEST FOR INFORMAL CONFERENCE FORM OR TO REQUEST AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING WITHIN THE TIME INDICATED WILL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF YOUR RIGHT TO ADMINISTRATIVELY CONTEST OR APPEAL THIS CITATION.

<u>Administrative Fine</u>

\$ 200.00

FOR YOUR PROTECTION AND TO ASSURE PROPER CREDIT,
PLEASE RETURN THE COPY OF THE CITATION
AND NOTE THE CITATION NUMBER ON YOUR CHECK
OR MONEY ORDER.

May 12, 2005	
Date	

Original Signed By:
____STEVEN K. HARTZELL
Executive Officer



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ORDER OF ABATEMENT

May 12, 2005

Citation Against: Caroline Renee Finch, P.T.A.	Citation No. 04-05-0124		
First Cause:			
Violations: Business and Professions Code Section <u>2630</u> .			
Description:			
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Second Cause:			
Violations: Title 16, California Code of Regulations Section <u>1398.6 Filing Addresses</u> .			
Description:			
Each licensee shall report to the board each and every change of residence address within 30 days after each change, giving both the old and new address.			

Order of Correction

You are hereby ordered to abate this violation immediately and to cease and desist from further violation.

Failure to comply with the provisions of this Citation and Order of Abatement within 30 days of receipt may result in further legal action.